IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) A light-emitting device ~~characterized by~~ comprising:

a cathode;

an anode that constitutes a pair together with the cathode;

a hole injecting layer that comes into contact with the anode and disposed between the anode and the cathode; and

a luminescent layer that is disposed between the hole injecting layer and the cathode and emits light when an electric field is applied,

wherein the hole injecting layer is made of a conjugate polymer that is soluble in an organic solvent and has been oxidized by an electron-accepting organic compound; and

wherein a fundamental skeleton of the conjugate polymer is polythiophene, polyaniline, polypyrrole or polyfuran.

2. (Currently Amended) The light-emitting device according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the light-emitting element includes a hole transporting layer disposed so as to come into contact with the hole injecting layer.

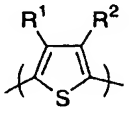
3. (Currently Amended) The light-emitting device according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the light-emitting element includes a hole transporting layer disposed so as to come into contact with the hole injecting layer and a luminescent layer disposed so as to come into contact with the hole transporting layer.

4. (Currently Amended) The light-emitting device according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the light-emitting element includes a hole transporting layer disposed so as to come into contact with the hole injecting layer, the luminescent layer disposed so as to come into contact with the hole transporting layer, and an electron transporting layer disposed so as to come into contact with the luminescent layer.

5. (Currently Amended) The light-emitting device according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the light-emitting element includes a hole transporting layer disposed so as to come into contact with the hole injecting layer, the luminescent layer

disposed so as to come into contact with the hole transporting layer, an electron transporting layer disposed so as to come into contact with the luminescent layer, and an electron injecting layer disposed so as to come into contact with the electron transporting layer.

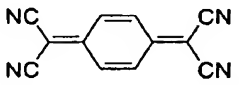
6. (Currently Amended) The light-emitting device according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein as the conjugate polymer that has polythiophene as a fundamental skeleton a polymer expressed by the formula (1) is used.



(1)

(In the formula, R^1 and R^2 are the same or different from each other and represent an organic residue that may contain a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, an oxygen atom, a sulfur atom or a nitrogen atom.)

7. (Currently Amended) The light-emitting device according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the electron-accepting organic compound is at least one kind of compounds expressed by the formulas (2) through (9).



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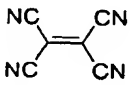

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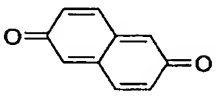

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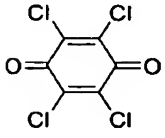

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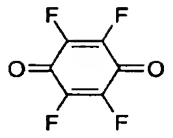

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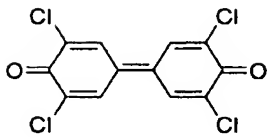

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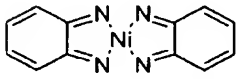

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8. (Currently Amended) The light-emitting device according to claim 2, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein a blocking material having an energy difference between a highest occupied molecular orbit and a lowest unoccupied molecular orbit larger than that of a hole transporting material contained in the hole transporting layer is contained in a region between the hole transporting layer and the cathode.

9. (Currently Amended) The light-emitting device according to claim 3, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein a blocking material having an energy difference between a highest occupied molecular orbit and a lowest unoccupied molecular orbit larger than that of a hole transporting material contained in the hole transporting layer is contained in a region between the hole transporting layer and the cathode.

10. (Currently Amended) The light-emitting device according to claim 4, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein a blocking material having an energy difference between a highest occupied molecular orbit and a lowest vacant molecular orbit larger than that of a hole transporting material contained in the hole transporting layer is contained in a region between the hole transporting layer and the cathode.

11. (Currently Amended) The light-emitting device according to claim 5, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein a blocking material having an energy difference between a

highest occupied molecular orbit and a lowest vacant molecular orbit larger than that of a hole transporting material contained in the hole transporting layer is contained in a region between the hole transporting layer and the cathode.

12. (Currently Amended) The light-emitting device according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the light-emitting element includes a compound that exhibits emission from a triplet-excitation state.

13. (Currently Amended) The light-emitting device according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the conjugate polymer is electrochemically oxidized.

14. (Currently Amended) The light-emitting device according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the conjugate polymer is formed in film owing to electric field polymerization of corresponding monomers.

15. (Currently Amended) An electric appliance ~~characterized by~~ comprising a light-emitting device according to claim 1.

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